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SUBJECT: APPROACHES TO CHILE ON PENDING UNGA ISSUES

REF: STATE 259571, STATE 259569

1. REFTELS, ADDRESSED TO ALL POSTS, SUGGEST ACTION TO MAINTAIN OR IMPROVE HOST GOVERNMENTS' VOTING POSITION IN CONNECTION WITH KOREA AND ANTI-CIONISM RESOLUTIONS IN UNGA PLENARY.

2. CHILE VOTED DOWN THE LINE WITH US IN COMMITTEE ON THE KOREAN PROBLEM, AND WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THIS WILL CHANGE. GOC HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL SHIFT ITS VOTE FROM YES TO ABSTENTION ON THE ZIONISM RESOLUTION. WE DOUBT IT COULD BE INDUCED TO MOVE FURTHER.

3. NORMALLY, WE WOULD NOT HESITATE TO SEEK TO NAIL DOWN THESE VOTES IN THE PLENARY. AT THE MOMENT, HOWEVER, THE THIRD COMMITTEE APPEARS TO BE PREPARING TO ADOPT A CONDEMNATORY RESOLUTION ON CHILE, AND IF WE READ THE SIGNS CORRECTLY IT SEEMS QUITE LIKELY THAT THE US WILL SUPPORT IT. IF THIS IS THE CASE, ANY REPRESENTATION ON OUR PART IN BEHALF OF OUR POSITION ON THE OTHER TWO ISSUES WILL ONLY OPEN US TO SUGGESTION THAT IF WE WANT CHILEAN

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SUPPORT ON ISSUES OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO US, WE OUGHT TO EXTEND

THE SAME CONSIDERATION ON A SUBJECT CRITICAL FOR THEM.

4. IN CIRCUMSTANCES, WE BELIEVE IT BETTER FOR US NOT TO INITIATE DISCUSSION ON ANY OF THESE ITEMS AT THIS TIME. WE THINK THAT ON BALANCE IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR ANY TALKS WITH THE CHILEANS TO TAKE PLACE IN NEW YORK, WHERE THE TACTICAL SITUATION CAN BE MORE EASILY APPRECIATED. IF AT SOME POINT IT SEEMS DESIRABLE TO TACKLE THE CHILEANS ON A SPECIFIC POINT, PLEASE LET US KNOW AND WE WILL BE GLAD TO DO SO.
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